

THE EASTERN REGIONAL HEALTH AUTHORITY

POSITION DESCRIPTION

1. JOB TITLE	2. DIVISION		3. DEPARTMENT
SENIOR DISTRICT HEALTH VISITOR	COUNTY HEALTH ADMINISTRATION ST. ANDREW/ST. DAVID NARIVA/MAYARO		NURSING
4. ORGANISATIONAL RELATIONSHIP		5. NATURE & SCOPE	
The Senior District Health Visitor will report to the Primary Care Nurse Manager.		The Senior District Health Visitor performs advanced community health nursing activities and is responsible for the administration of the assigned cluster. He/She may also be involved in assisting in the general supervision of the Community Health Nursing Services.	

6. SPECIFIC ACCOUNTABILITIES

The Senior District Health Visitor:

- Collaborates with the Primary Care Physician II and the Primary Health Care Services Administrative Officer for the administrative functioning of the cluster.
- Supervises staff at health centres.
- □ Serves as the Leader of the Community Health Nursing Team; direct, supervise and evaluate the performance of the District Health Visitor/District Nurse/Midwife and Nursing Assistant in her team.
- Provides supervision for nursing care at clinics, schools and homes.
- participates in the maternal and child care programmes at clinics and in the home.
- Participates in the development of community Health Nursing Programmes.
- Participates in the control of communicable diseases/surveillance.
- Plans and implements Health Education activities and outreach programmes in the community.
- Prepares reports as required.
- □ Assists in the training, mentoring and coaching of personnel of the health care team.
- Serves as liaison between the community and the Health Services.
- Participates in the research activities of the Region to support the delivery of quality healthcare.
- Assists in the development of policy and procedures for the delivery of nursing care.
- □ Ensures nursing standard and protocols including the nursing process is implemented and maintained at all facilities.
- Participates in the organization's strategic and business planning inclusive of the preparation of the Authority's budget.
- Performs other related duties as may be required by the appropriate Authority.

7. KEY KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES

- □ Considerable knowledge of the principles and practices of general nursing, health visiting, midwifery, and public health.
- □ Knowledge in the theoretical and practical aspects of Nursing.
- □ Good communication skills, both oral and written.
- Strong leadership skills.
- □ Strong emotional intelligence.
- Ability to coach and mentor subordinate staff
- □ Good organisational, critical thinking and conflict resolution skills.
- □ Ability to use Microsoft Office Suite
- Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with other employees and the public.

8. MINIMUM TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE

- Training as evidence by a Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing or a Certificate in General Nursing.
- Diploma in Health Visiting.
- Licensed Midwife.
- A minimum of five (5) years' experience as a District Health Visitor.
- □ Training and certification in Leadership/Supervisory Management.
- Any equivalent combination of training and experience.

9. SUPERVISORY RESPONSIBILITIES

- District Health Visitor
- Midwife
- District Nurse
- □ Nurse
- Nursing Assistant
- Patient Care Assistant

10. COMMUNICATION AND WORKING RELATIONSHIP

Internal:

- Primary Care Nurse Manager
- Primary Care Physician II
- County Medical Officer of Health
- General Manager-Nursing
- Medical Officer I
- Primary Health Care Services Administrative Officer
- Public Health Inspector
- Medical Social Worker
- Pharmacists
- Other members of the Primary Health Care Team

External:

Clients